

March 6, 2018

To: Michigan House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
Re: House Bill 5664
Subject: Testimony of Ken & Joan Samborski

Good morning. My name is Ken Samborski. I am here today with my wife Joan Samborski in support of HB 5664. The bill introduced by Rep. Wittenberg is co-sponsored by Reps. Lucido, Elder, Liberati, Lasinski, Vaupel, Theis, Crawford & Kosowski seeks to name a section of I-96 in Howell the "Officer Mason Samborski Memorial Highway. We are the parents of Officer Samborski. Many thanks to those Representatives for putting forth the bill.

HB 5664 bill respectfully honors a local citizen who started his public service at a young age. During his years at Michigan State University Mason served as a Police Cadet & code enforcement Officer with the East Lansing Police Department while working toward his degree in Criminal Justice. He continued on to graduate from the Kellogg Police Academy & later the Schoolcraft Fire Academy. On June 1st, 2005 Mason was sworn in as PSO Badge 1200 Oak Park, Michigan where he served until his untimely death in the line of duty on December 28, 2008. Officer Samborski left behind his wife Sarah, daughter Madeline, loving family & friends. He is sorely missed by us, his fellow officers & the community he served.

Officer Samborski did much good for many people during his shorten service. He delivered babies, put out fires, provided emergency medical assistance, diffused domestic disputes, aided & comforted victims, inflated citizens tires on bitterly cold days, kept our roads safe, apprehended criminals & protected the citizenry respectfully enforcing our laws to keep us safe. His future was bright. He was a shining example of what we seek our law enforcement officers to be.

HB 5664 would not only honor Officer Samborski but also those like him who sacrifice themselves daily risking their lives on our behalf. The "Officer Samborski Memorial Highway" is a respectful way for us as a community to express our gratitude for & the value we place on our local law enforcement offers. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Ken & Joan Samborski
Brighton, Michigan